2013 Season Dates

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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2013 Big Game Seasons

- Antelope
  - 900 series ..... Aug 15–Nov 10
  - archery ..... Sept 7–Oct 11
  - general ..... Oct 12–Nov 10
- Bighorn Sheep
  - archery ..... Sept 5–Sept 14
  - general ..... Sept 15–Dec 1
- Bison ..... Nov 15–Feb 15, 2014
- Black bear
  - spring ..... Apr 15– Varies (May 15-June 15)
  - fall archery ..... Sept 7–Sept 14
  - fall ..... Sept 15–Dec 1
- Deer & Elk
  - archery ..... Sept 7–Oct 20
  - youth, deer only, two-day hunt ..... Oct 17–Oct 18
  - general ..... Oct 26–Dec 1
  - backcountry – HD's 150, 151, 280, 316*
    - archery ..... Sept 7–Sept 14
    - general ..... Sept 15–Dec 1
- Moose ..... Sept 15–Dec 1
- Mountain Goat ..... Sept 15–Dec 1
- Mountain Lion
  - archery ..... Sept 7–Oct 20
  - fall ..... Oct 26–Dec 1
  - winter ..... Dec 1–Apr 14, 2014

2013 Wolf Seasons

- archery ..... Sept 7–Sept 14
- fall ..... Sept 15–Mar 15, 2014
- trapping ..... Dec 15–Feb 28, 2014

* HD 316 does not have an archery season

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2013 Upland Game Birds Seasons

- Mountain Grouse ..... Sept 1–Jan 1, 2014
- Partridge ..... Sept 1–Jan 1, 2014
- Pheasant ..... Oct 12–Jan 1, 2014
- Sage Grouse ..... Sept 1–Nov 1
- Sharp-tailed Grouse .. Sept 1–Jan 1, 2014
- Turkey
  - spring ..... Apr 13–May 19
  - fall ..... Sept 1–Jan 1, 2014

2013 Montana Fishing Seasons

- Lakes ..... Open entire year
- Rivers** and streams .....
  - 3rd Saturday in May - Nov. 30
  - **some rivers are open entire year – check the fishing regulations

2013 Montana Furbearer Seasons

For general reference only.
2013 dates adopted in August, 2013.

- Trapping District 1, 2 & 3
  - Beaver ..... Nov 1 - April 15, 2014
  - Bobcat ..... Dec 1 - Feb 15, 2014*
- Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6 & 7
  - Beaver ..... Sept 1 - May 31, 2014
  - Bobcat ..... Dec 1 - March 1, 2014*
- Portion of Trapping District 6
  - Swift Fox ..... Nov 1 - March 1, 2014*
- Fisher, Marten, Wolverine (where open) ..... Dec 1 - Feb 15, 2014*
- Mink, Muskrat, Otter ..... Nov 1 - April 15, 2014*

* May close earlier when the quota is reached.

2013 Application/Purchase Deadlines

Big Game

- Antelope ..... June 1
- Bighorn Sheep ..... May 1
- Bison ..... May 1
- Black Bear
  - spring ..... Apr 14*
  - fall ..... Aug 31*
- Deer & Elk
  - special permits ..... Mar 15
  - special licenses ..... June 1
- Moose ..... May 1
- Mountain Goat ..... May 1
- Mountain Lion
  - general license ..... Aug 31*
  - special limited entry ..... Aug 31
- Super Tags
  - Antelope, Bighorn Sheep, Bison, Deer, Elk, Moose, Mountain Goat and Mountain Lion ..... July 5

*see species-specific regulations for license purchase restrictions.

Upland Game, Migratory and Webless Migratory Birds

- Crane ..... July 25
- Swan ..... Sept 5
- Turkey
  - spring ..... March 7
  - fall ..... July 25

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